

What is claimed is:

1. A totalization system for totalizing information to be totalized comprising:

5           a to-be-totalized information storage unit for  
storing information to be totalized;

a hierarchical information storage unit for storing hierarchical information used in totalizing the information to be totalized; and

10           a computing unit for totalizing the information  
stored in the to-be-totalized information storage unit  
according to the hierarchical information stored in the  
hierarchical information storage unit.

2. The totalization system according to claim 1, further comprising a display control unit for controlling display of totalization results for information at an arbitrary hierarchical level in the hierarchical information and, if necessary, information at a hierarchical level lower than the arbitrary level or totalization results for information at the lower hierarchical level.

3. The totalization system according to claim 2,  
25 wherein the display control unit controls display of

information at an even lower hierarchical level or totalization results for information at the even lower hierarchical level.

5           4. The totalization system according to claim 1,  
wherein the to-be-totalized information are classified  
into a plurality of groups, the hierarchical information  
storage unit stores hierarchical information about the  
plurality of groups, and the computing unit totalizes  
10 information stored in the to-be-totalized information  
storage unit on the basis of hierarchical information  
about any one of the groups.

15           5. A computer-readable recording medium which is  
recorded with a program that allows a computer to perform  
a control operation for totalizing information, the  
control operation comprising the steps of:

storing information to be totalized;  
storing hierarchical information used in  
20 totalizing the information to be totalized; and  
totalizing the information to be totalized on the  
basis of the hierarchical information.